

Interview Summary OK

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## REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Appreciation is expressed to Examiner Kennedy and Examiner Stodola for their time and attention during the interview conducted at the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 11, 2008. The remarks below discuss the substance of the interview.

By way of this Amendment, Claim 17 is amended to address the inadvertent errors kindly pointed out by the Examiner in the bottom half of page two and the top of page three of the Official Action. Accordingly, withdrawal of the claim rejection based on the second paragraph of 35 U.S.C. §112 is respectfully requested.

During the interview, the undersigned discussed the claimed subject matter at issue, noting that independent Claim 1 defines a device fastening an emitter to a housing, while independent Claim 18 recites an emitter fastened to a housing by a fastening device. Thus, as explained, both independent claims positively recite the emitter as a claimed element. Thus, a proper rejection of the claims at issue must address this positively claimed feature.

The undersigned also explained that U.S. Patent No. 5,975,592 to *Lin* discloses a lock assembly used in connection with a sliding door. As pointed out during the interview, *Lin* does not disclose an emitter, let alone a fastening device that fastens an emitter to a housing as recited in the independent claims here. To make more clear this point, independent Claims 1 and 18 are amended to recite that the emitter which is fastened to the housing by the fastening device is an emitter which emits electrons.